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Sw No. 3 to the RIS.

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1. Transmitted herewith for your information and files is a translation of [] SW Message No. 3 which was mailed to the RIS on 5 May 1957.

2. Subject was urged to include the comparatively lengthy item re the Ukrainian Free University in conjunction with our wishes to have Subject retain a relatively independent position vis-a-vis the RIS and to have him explain to the RIS the difficulties he encounters in collecting specific items of information. This message was sent in response to no specific RIS message but in our general attempt to have improve his reporting to the RIS.

Approved: []

Attachments: as stated, herewith

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SW Message No. 3 to the RIS; addressed to the
Mr. WOLFF, Blücherstrasse 11, Berlin C-2; return
address, Maria Kleiner, Anzingerstrasse 20, Muenchen 8;
mailed from the Hauptbahnhof on 5 May at 1130 hours.

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B. transmits the following information:

1) The item of collecting accurate facts about the Ukrainian Free University has taken several weeks inasmuch as no opportunity existed for B. to approach this organization or its leaders. The following opportunity has now arisen which will permit (B.) to collect accurate information. The rector of the UFU, Ivan MIRCHUK (who, together with his German wife and grown-up daughter, resides on Schumannstrasse 1, Muenchen 22), appealed to B. for assistance. At the Munich Club for German Refugees from the CSR, the "Sudeten Klub", which is headed by the well-known German intellectual, literary historian and a former national-socialist, (fnm) CYBARTZ, two Baltic barons who are German citizens, (fnm) ROSE and (fnm) HADNSTEIN, on the occasion of ROSE's report about Russia, attacked the German professor Hans KOCH alleging that he (T.N. KOCH) is only notionally supporting the Ukrainian nationalist movement which has no future. KOCH, after learning the above, appealed to his friend, (Ivan) MIRCHUK, with the request that he give a report about Ukrainian history in the Sudeten Klub. This report was rendered (T.N. by MIRCHUK) late in the evening on 29 April at the Habersstock Hotel. In discussions with the barons, who are old sympathizers of Tsarist Russia, B. succeeded in assisting MIRCHUK in defending his position. Grateful for such assistance, MIRCHUK has invited B. to his place. I have gone into this description in order to indicate (remembering my appeal to the Chief) how much time has to be spent sometime and how opportunities have to be sought after in order to uncover a source of information. B's visit to MIRCHUK will provide the opportunity to collect serious and verified information about the UFU inasmuch MIRCHUK is desirous of having B. prepare something for the German newspapers.

2) From D. KOSMOVICH B. ascertained that Radislav OSTROVSKI will arrive in Germany. He will remain (he will probably come in mid-May) for some time in Stuttgart. He intends to visit Munich in order to meet with Stepan BANDERA and ABN leaders. KOSMOVICH has again commenced to publish (mimeographing) the "RAPATSE" (publication), the primary organ of the Byelorussian Liberation Front. Dmitri KOSMOVICH, as an ABN member, mailed a 30-page typewritten report about "Soviet Crimes"

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in Byelorussia to the Vietnamese minister, Tran TAM, on the occasion of the 3rd conference of the Anti-Communist League of Asiatic Nations in Saigon (Vietnam). Tran TAM replied by sending a special letter of thanks. KOSNOVICH showed this letter to his German acquaintances who are very interested in the letter. KOSNOVICH's wife occupies herself with her children and household affairs but she also interests herself in the political activities of her husband. KOSNOVICH is interested in the judicial hearings, which are taking place in WROCLAW, in the matter of Sergei BOBKOV. BOBKOV, a former BCR member, is accused of having murdered Jews in the Koldychiv concentration camp in Byelorussia during World War II. KOSNOVICH does not recall whether he was acquainted with Sergei BOBKOV but he is of the opinion that the Polish witnesses are magnifying (i.e. the real facts) in their accusations against BOBKOV. He considers that BOBKOV was a relatively insignificant personality to have been a camp commandant. Using various names, Sergei BOBKOV remained in hiding in the town of WROCLAW for 12 years.

3) The Ukrainian nationalists, and especially Lev REBET and Michailov-BORYS, are very interested in the affairs of the Ukrainian newspaper, "Our Word - NASHE SLOVO" in Poland, the organ of the Ukrainian nationality minority (T.N. group) in Poland. They had expected that the Ukrainian newspaper, "Our Word - NASHE SLOVO" in Poland, the organ of the Ukrainian Social Association in Warsaw, would be of an anti-Soviet inclination. Meanwhile, in the 28 April edition of the "NASHE SLOVO", the discussions between a "Soviet Ukrainian" correspondent with Ivan BESAGA was reprinted; it was aimed against the OUN ringleaders. Lev REBET's reaction was as follows: "This signifies that the Ukrainian association in Poland is controlled by the Soviet consulate in Warsaw and possibly even by the Michailov Committee from Berlin". The article in the "NASHE SLOVO" greatly antagonised the OUN ringleaders.

b) There is news in the Verband der Freien Presse organisation which had been subsidised by Professor (Gerhard von) MENDE's office in Dusseldorf. Unexpectedly, in December 1956, MENDE ceased subsidising the VERBAND after having passed 5,000 DM for the year. It is speculated here that the Verband leader, the Hungarian, Zoltan VAKRA, who had made out that he was a pro-German sympathiser, had in fact closer ties with some American group. VAKRA has ceased to function as the Verband leader; his place was taken by the Bulgarian emigre, Georgiy AKYEFF. Georgiy DASHILOV, from "Svoboda", was elected to the council; he admitted at the annual elections that he had tried to obtain funds for the organisation from the American Committee but had been unsuccessful. The Ukrainians and the Poles, dissatisfied

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with the policies of the Verband, intend to resign from the organization at the end of this month; they have their own publications and they are being kept away from the Verband (publications) by the other Hungarians, Bulgarians and Romanians.

5) Vargi ROVASHEO's new private address is: Munich 23
Immerstrasse 52/III.

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